## **PATENT**

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## **RESPONSE**

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 18, 2007 (hereinafter, "the Office Action"), and the Decision on Appeal mailed on August 25, 2011 (hereinafter, "the Appeal Decision"), with the period for response set to expire on October 25, 2011, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.